

Friday, May 14, 1999

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

Conference Report on H.R. 1141, Emergency Supplemental Appropriations Filed

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5321–S5392

Measures Introduced: Five bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1053–1057. Page S5371

Juvenile Justice: Senate continued consideration of S. 254, to reduce violent juvenile crime, promote accountability by rehabilitation of juvenile criminals, and punish and deter violent gang crime, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S5321–33, S5335–50

Adopted:

By 48 yeas to 47 nays (Vote No. 118), Hatch/Craig Amendment No. 344, to provide for effective gun law enforcement, enhanced penalties, and facilitation of background checks at gun shows.

Pages S5321–26

Rejected:

Schumer Amendment No. 350, to amend title 18, United States Code, to regulate the transfer of firearms over the Internet. (By 50 yeas to 43 nays (Vote No. 119), Senate tabled the amendment).

Pages S5321, S5326–27

Pending:

Lott (for Allard) Amendment No. 351, to allow the erecting of an appropriate and constitutional permanent memorial on the campus of any public school to honor students and teachers who have been murdered at the school and to allow students, faculty, and administrative staff of a public school to hold an appropriate and constitutional memorial service on their campus to honor students and teachers who have been murdered at their school.

Pages S5330–33

Kohl/Hatch/Chafee Amendment No. 352, to amend chapter 44 of title 18, United States Code, to require the provision of a secure gun storage or safety device in connection with the transfer of a handgun. Pages S5335–36

Hatch/Feinstein Amendment No. 353, authorizing funds for programs to combat gang violence. Pages S5336–41

Byrd/Kohl Amendment No. 339, to provide for injunctive relief in Federal district court to enforce State laws relating to the interstate transportation of intoxicating liquor. Pages S5342–45

Feinstein Amendment No. 354, to modify the laws relating to interstate shipment of intoxicating liquors. Pages S5345–46

Frist Amendment No. 355, to amend the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and the Gun-Free Schools Act of 1994 to authorize schools to apply appropriate discipline measures in cases where students have firearms. Pages S5346–50

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further amendments to be proposed to the bill. Pages S5328–29

Y2K Act: Senate began consideration of a motion to proceed to the consideration of S. 96, to regulate commerce between and among the several States by providing for the orderly resolution of disputes arising out of computer-based problems related to processing data that includes a 2-digit expression of that year's date. Pages S5333–35

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Tuesday, May 18, 1999. Page S5333

Appointments:

Women's Progress Commemoration Commission: The Chair, on behalf of the Democratic Leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-341, announced the appointment of the following individuals to the Women's Progress Commemoration Commission: Joan Doran Hedrick, of Connecticut, Lisa Perry, of New York, and Virginia Driving Hawk Sneve, of South Dakota.

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Statements on Introduced Bills: Pages S5371-81

Additional Cosponsors: Pages S5381-82

Amendments Submitted: Pages S5382-88

Record Votes: Two record votes were taken today. (Total—119) Pages S5326-27

Recess: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m., and recessed at 3:29 p.m., until 12 noon, on Monday, May 17, 1999. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5389.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense resumed hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2000 for the Department of Defense, receiving testimony from numerous public witness.

Subcommittee will meet again on Wednesday, May 19.

AUTHORIZATION—DEFENSE

Committee on Armed Services: On Thursday, May 13, committee ordered favorably reported the following bills:

An original bill entitled "National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000";

An original bill entitled "Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2000";

An original bill entitled "Military Construction Act for Fiscal Year 2000"; and

An original bill entitled "Department of Energy National Security Act for Fiscal Year 2000".

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 1817-1824, were introduced. Page H3211

Reports Filed: One Report was filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 1141, making emergency supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1999 (H. Rept. 106-143).

Pages H3175-S3202, H3211

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Thornberry to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Meeting Hour—Monday, May 17: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, May 17. Page H3174

Meeting Hour—Tuesday, May 18: Agreed that when the House adjourns on Monday, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 18 for morning-hour debates. Page H3174

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business on May 19. Page H3174

Recess: The House recessed at 9:15 a.m. and reconvened at 2:58 p.m. Page H3175

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: The House met at 9:00 a.m. and adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

Committee Meetings**TREASURY-POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS**

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government approved for full Committee action the Treasury, Postal Service, and General Government appropriations for fiscal year 2000.

Joint Meetings**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Conferees on Thursday, May 13, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 1141, making